GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY
LOK SABHA

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PROMOTION OF SOLAR ENERGY
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Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has formulated any policy to promote solar and wind energy;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has taken any decision for construction of solar and wind energy generation units particularly in left wing extremism affected districts of Bihar; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR POWER, COAL & NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) (SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a)&(b): While there is no policy document which covers both Solar and Wind Energy promotion in the entire country, there are several schemes and guidelines for promotion of Solar & Wind. Ministry provides various fiscal incentives, such as capital subsidy, generation based incentives, accelerated depreciation, concessional excise and custom duties.

(c)&(d): The government promotes Solar and Wind energy which includes setting up of demonstration projects, preferential tariff purchase for power generated from Solar and wind energy sources, resource assess- ment development of power evacuation. In Left Wing Extremism (LWE) affected districts, the Ministry has provided 90% Central Financial Assistance for setting up of Solar Lantern charging stations.